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My name is Donna Raab, I live at 128 Huntingtown Road in Newtown, Ct.

I am writing this testimony today to try to reason with the legislature.

All of the proposed bills that I have read do nothing to stop the next Sandy Hook. Adam Lanza was a demented madman. He did not receive the proper care from his family. His family failed him, the school failed him and the State of Ct. failed him. His family did not have an avenue for assistance.

Your proposed bills are making the respectful law-abiding gun owners suffer for his unexplained act of madness.

I was at the legislative building on Monday along with 2,500-3,000 others concerned about our rights.

Last night here in Newtown, we had an ordinance meeting discussing the 500 ft. set back. You presently have HB 6595 to discuss as a panel. I was so happy to see that approx. 200 to 225 came to this fight extending the set back. About 20 -25 came to this meeting (Newtown Action Alliance and some other anti-gun organization) to try to increase the 500 ft. set back. Rep Bolinsky was there, he can verify the information. From what I have seen, the majority of the anti-gun people don't understand guns. They are afraid of guns. They should do some research before stating their assumptions, which are proven wrong. They want to push their agenda before anything can be questioned. Their numbers are dwindling fast, as you saw on Wednesday. They are on to the next cause. They don't care who they harm in the quest for self fulfillment.

The Pro-gun movement has not really voiced their opposition as of yet. We have just begun. Why the rush to pass new laws? I feel the anti-gun people have exploited what has happened in Newtown. The emotion of this tragedy has been overwhelming. Gun owners in Newtown now feel they have been bullied enough. Proof was in that meeting last night.

I would like all of the legislatures to review a full police report from the State Police before going forward on this present path.

As all the proposed bills stand today, I am in opposition.

Thank you.